

Ares: The God of War

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Background

- Ares was, according to most accounts, the son of Zeus and Hera.
- His main attributes were imposing size and physical strength along with an extremely violent, pugnacious personality.
- Ares appears in the Roman pantheon under the alias of Mars.



Domain

- While Athena was responsible for the intellectual and tactical aspects of warfare, Ares symbolized brute strength and the horror, terror, and madness of the battlefield. He was driven primarily by a love of destruction and slaughter.

Notable Exploits

- Ares was responsible for the arrest of Sisyphus, who had tried to kidnap Thanatos, the god of death.
- Ares also opposed his half-brother Hercules at several points during his adventures.
- When the Trojan War came around Ares got to partake in his favorite pastime of senselessly killing people.

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